GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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ALTERNATIVE VOCATION TO TOBACCO GROWERS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to provide alternative vocation to the farmers involve in tobacco growing; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a)&(b): There is no proposal with the Government of India to provide alternativevocation to the farmers growing tobacco crop. It has , however been recommended by the research system to grow alternative crops such as groundnut, cotton, chillies, maize, onion, potato, castor, pulses, oilseeds, vegetables and other crops under different agro-climatic conditions.